



**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

**TULARE COUNTY EMERGENCY PROJECTS**

**Item #4: Seville Bottled Water Project**

**Item #5: Countywide Bottled Water Program**

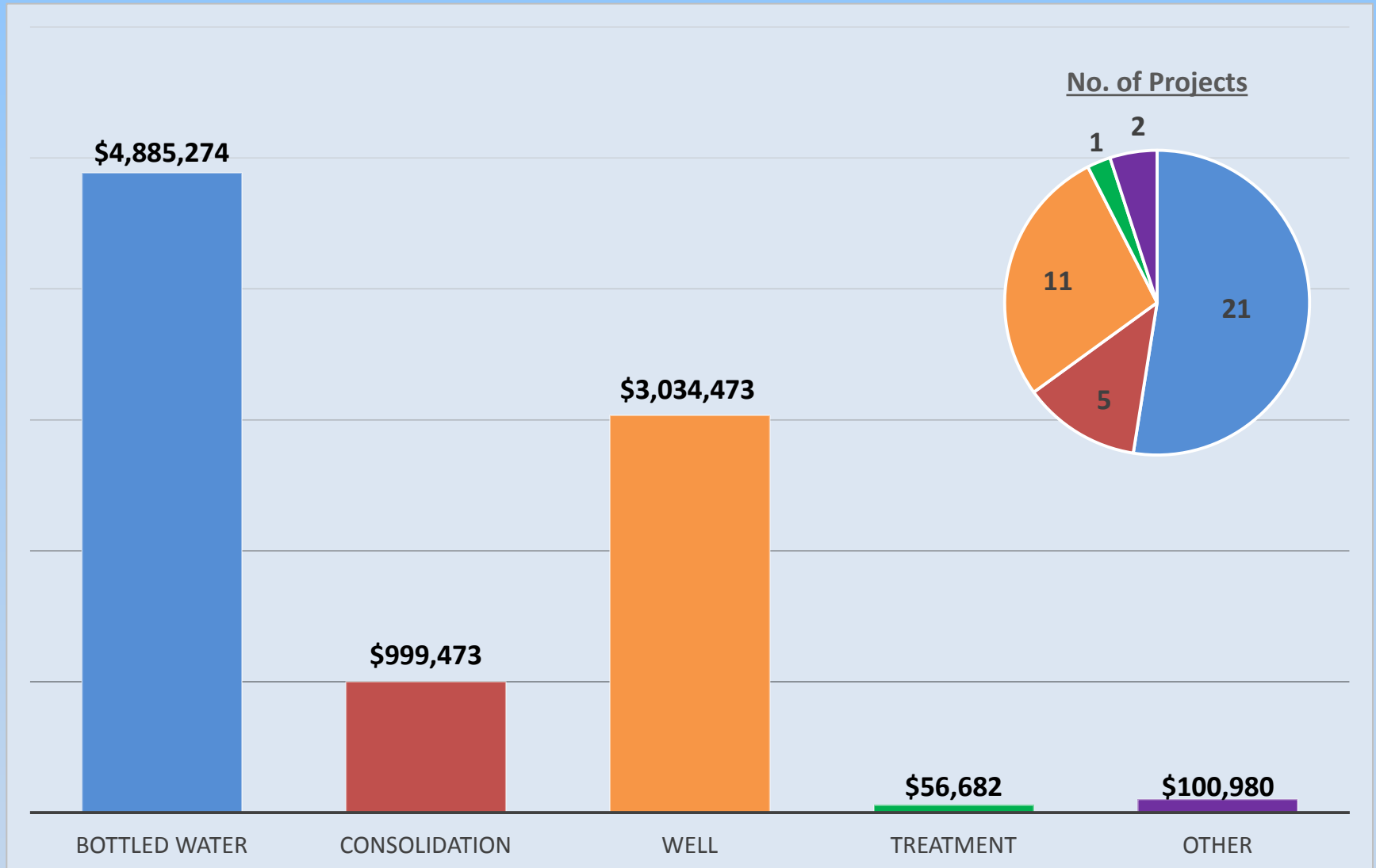
**INTERIM EMERGENCY DRINKING WATER PROGRAM  
Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA)**

**April 4, 2017**

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# Tulare County

## Emergency Funding Summary



# Item#4: Seville Bottled Water Project

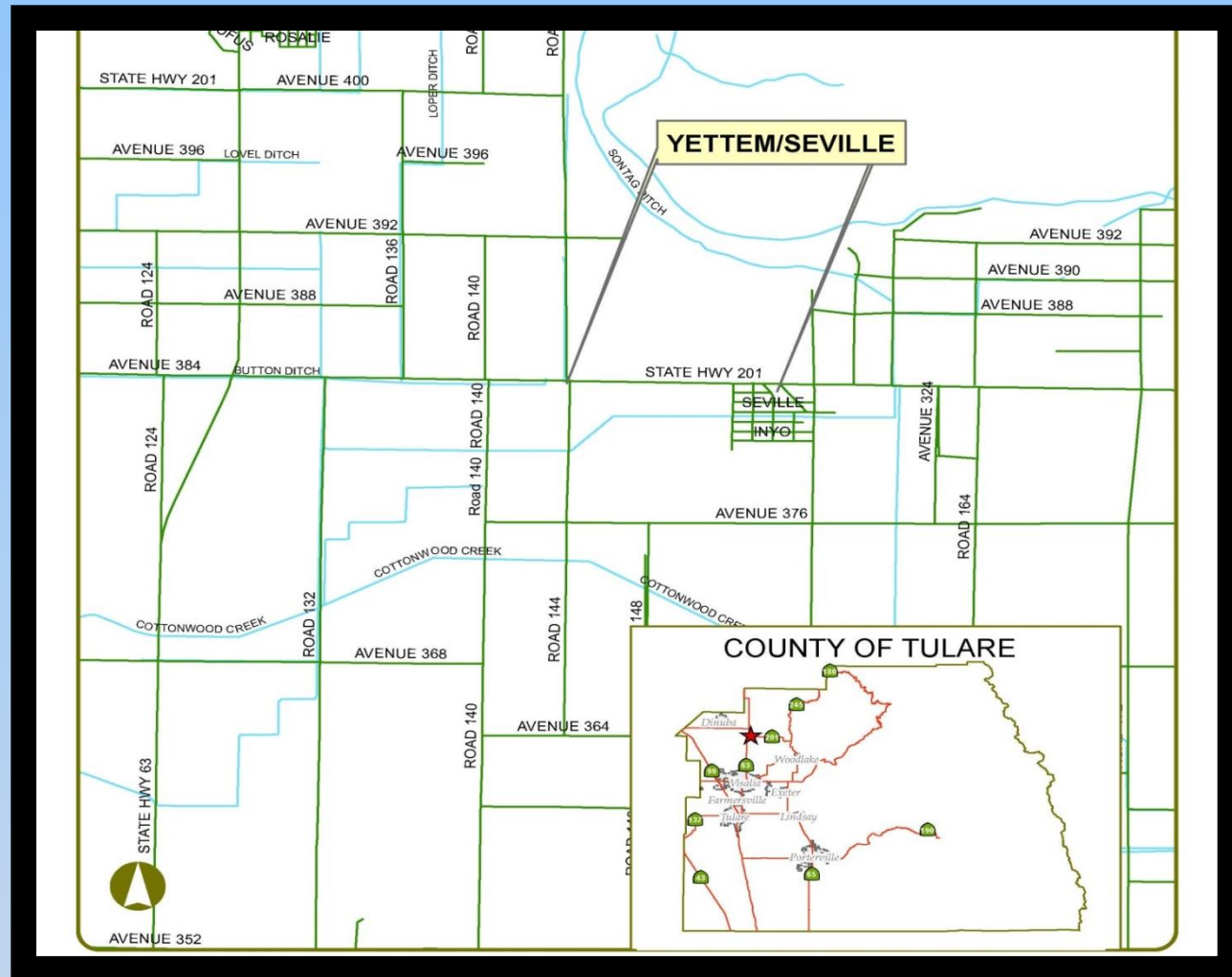
## (Funding Request)

- Tulare County is requesting an additional **\$252,000** in CAA SB826 Drought Emergency funding for approximately **24 months of bottled water** to the **community of Seville** residents **or** until the first phase of their long-term solution is implemented.
- To date, **\$520,000** in emergency funding has previously been approved for this water system
  - Repairs to leaks, tank replacement, bottled water, new water supply well
- Previously approved funding combined with this funding request **exceeds** the DFA Deputy Director's delegated authority to approve or deny emergency projects of **no more than \$500,000**.

# Item#4: Seville Bottled Water Project

## (Water System Information)

- Since 2009, under receivership of Tulare County
- MHI: \$33,241
- 77 Service Conn.
- 400 Residents
- Two Wells
  - One active
  - One dry (2014)
- 15,000 gallon tank
- Booster pumps
- Distribution Pipes



# Item#4: Seville Bottled Water Project

## (Water System Problems)

- Well #1: Had nitrate contamination and went dry in spring of 2014.
- Well #2: Meets drinking water standards but has low water production
- Distribution system is beyond its useful life and has frequent leaks
- Water System suffers from intermittent water outages and has low pressure issues
  - The system has historically been on/off frequent Boil Water Orders
  - The previous BWO issued in June 2015 is still in effect

# Item#4: Seville Bottled Water Project

## (Long-Term Solution)

- Phase 1:
  - Replacement of the distribution system
  - Installation of individual meters
  - 211,000 gallon storage tank [If budget allows]
  - Estimated Cost: \$5 Million
- Phase 2:
  - Consolidation with Yettem Water System via interconnection pipeline
  - New well in Yettem
  - Storage Tank [If not completed under Phase 1]
  - Estimated Cost: \$4 Million

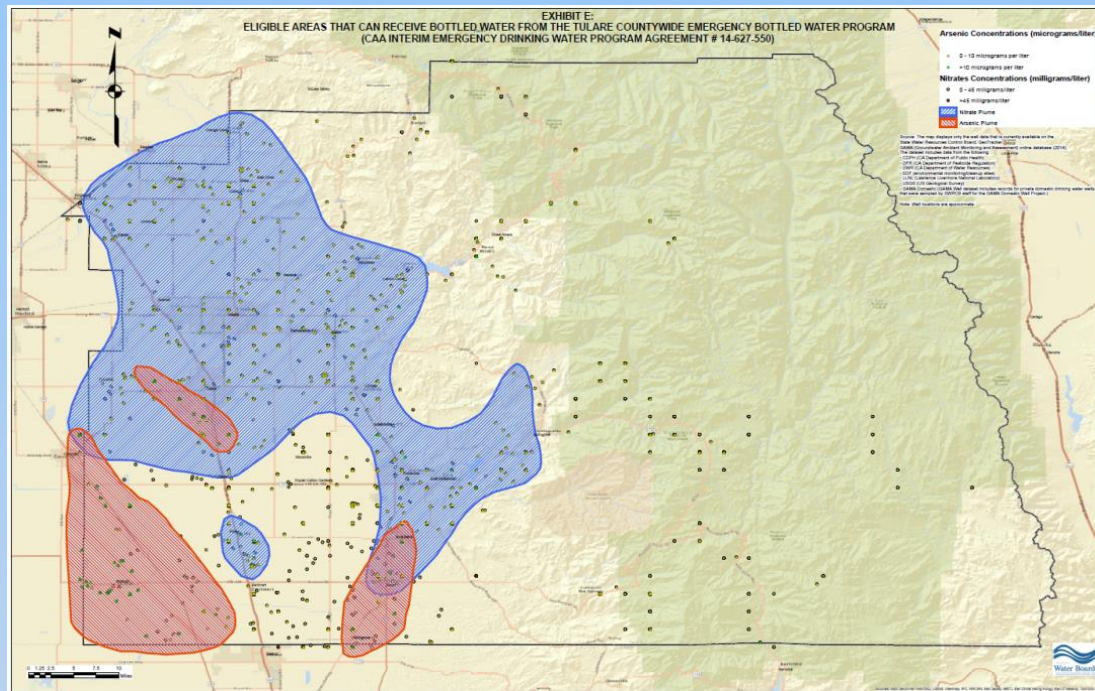
# Item#5: Countywide Bottled Water Program

## (Funding Request)

- Tulare County is requesting an additional **\$2,000,000** in CAA SB826 Drought Emergency funding for continuing bottled water deliveries to qualified, households enrolled in the Countywide Bottled Water Program.
- The funding request exceeds the DFA Deputy Director's delegated authority to approve or deny emergency projects of **no more than \$500,000**.

## Item#5: Countywide Bottled Water Program (Background)

- Established in 2014
  - Disadvantaged households with **contamination** in private well



- Drought Proclamation & Funding
  - Program expanded to include disadvantaged households with **dry** wells



# Item#5: Countywide Bottled Water Program

## (Previously Approved Funding)

Funding Source	Date Awarded	Funding Agency	Project Description	Estimated Cumulative Number of Households Enrolled	Funding Amount
CAA-(SB 103)	7/3/2014	State Water Board	Establish the CBWP for disadvantaged households with contaminated water wells	400	\$500,000
CAA-(AB 91)	8/18/2015 <a href="#">Resolution No. 2015-0056</a>	State Water Board	Continuation of CBWP and expansion of the program to include residents who are experiencing drought-related emergencies	1,000	\$750,000
CAA-(SB 103)	2/24/2016	State Water Board	Repurposing of unused portions of the County's Schools Bottled Water Program (SBWP) to the CBWP	1,500	\$725,000
CAA-(AB91)	04/19/2016 <a href="#">Resolution No. 2016-0023</a>	State Water Board	Continuation of the CBWP	1,500	\$1,455,000

Total: \$ 3,430,000

# Item#5: Countywide Bottled Water Program

## (Program Statistics)

- As of March 2, 2017:
  - 1,743 enrollees in the program

	Owner-Occupied	Tenant-Occupied	Total
No Dry Well “Contamination”	26%	48%	74%
Dry Well	20%	6%	26%
Total	46%	54%	100%

- 10-20 new enrollment applications per week
- Implementation cost of the program is an estimated \$150,000 per month
- Remaining funding will be exhausted in April-May 2017

# Item#5: Countywide Bottled Water Program

## (Program Changes)

- ❖ Bottled Water Delivery
  - One occupant (2000)
  - Two occupants (3000)
  - Three or more occupants (4000)
- ❖ If this funding request is for bottled water as opposed to other services
  - 30% estimated cost
- ❖ New enrollment in the program
- ❖ Only owner-occupied dwellings
  - Eliminates tenant applications
- ❖ All existing enrollees have to reapply for bottled water (under the new criteria) by the end of April

**RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

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April 3, 2017

**RE: NEW APPLICATION FOR COUNTYWIDE BOTTLED WATER PROGRAM  
ONLY OWNER-OCCUPIED DWELLINGS ARE ELIGIBLE**

Dear Program Participant,

Effective immediately, rental properties no longer qualify for the bottled water program and eligibility is limited to owner occupied households only. **Tenants living in rental properties must contact their landlord; it is the property owner's responsibility to provide drinking water.**

Furthermore, the program is limited to currently active recipients of bottled water that are homeowners. No new applicants will be added to the program.

If you are a homeowner, please complete the enclosed application and return it with proof of ownership (copy of deed or property tax bill) to:

County of Tulare RMA  
Countywide Bottled Water Program  
5961 S. Mooney Blvd.  
Visalia, CA 93277

The County of Tulare has applied for new State funding to extend this program, but there is no assurance that additional funding will be forthcoming. Plan accordingly; **the bottled water program could end at any time without notice.** We will notify you should there be any additional changes to the Countywide Bottled Water Program.

This notice does not affect participants in the County's emergency household tank program.

Please contact 559-624-7009 should you have any questions or concerns.

Financing is available to qualified homeowners for repair or replacement of existing private water wells and/or pumps, connection to a public water system, or for State regulated Small Water Systems. Financing is also available to homeowners who have incurred unfavorable debt, such as high interest rate loans and credit cards, as a result of drilling a well. For more information, please call Self-Help Enterprises at (559) 651-1000.

**Bottled Water Emergency Assistance Application  
County of Tulare**

Applicant:

licant: ☐ Owner (Please note that only owner-occupied residences qualify for this program)  
☐ Contaminated ☐ Dry ☐ Not on a well

SS: \_\_\_\_\_

S: \_\_\_\_\_

: \_\_\_\_\_

Part I: Number of Household Members

Number of Members in Household	1	2	3 or more
Check applicable box			[Enter number]

Part II: Confidential Applicant Income Certification

Annual income\* for all adult members of household is \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Income must include all sources of income (wages, child support, SSI, unemployment, pension, income tax refunds, etc.)

I certify that the information given on this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that there are penalties for willfully and knowingly giving false information on an application for Federal or State funds, which may include immediate repayment of all Federal or State funds received and/or prosecution under the law. I understand that the information on this form is subject to verification by state or federal personnel as part of compliance monitoring.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date (print): \_\_\_\_\_

**In this box, I acknowledge that this program can end at any time and that I will be responsible for my own water needs.** ☐

Completed application along with a copy of the deed to your property or a copy of the property tax bill to Tulare County RMA-Bottled Water, 5961 S. Mooney Blvd, Visalia, CA

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## (County Map)

